## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Appl. No. : 10/612,678 Confirmation No.: 3447

Applicant : William Mar et al.

Title : VITERBI DECODING DEVICE AND

METHOD FOR PROCESSING MULTI-DATA

INPUT INTO MULTI-DATA OUTPUT

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## REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

## Dear Sir:

This paper is filed in response to the Advisory Action mailed September 13, 2006. The Advisory Action did not enter the claim amendments filed August 30, 2006 on the grounds that the amendments "raise new issues that would require further consideration and/or search." Applicants respectfully submit that the claim amendments do not raise new issues that would require further consideration and/or search.

Claim 6 was amended to incorporate the subject matter of claims 12 and 13. Claim 14 was amended to incorporate the subject matter of claims 16-19. In other words, claim 6 was amended to correspond in scope to pending claim 13, and claim 14 was amended to correspond in scope to pending claim 19. No new matter was introduced. No new issues were presented. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration because the claims amendments should have been entered and considered.

For the reasons set forth in Applicants Response submitted August 30, 2006, Applicants request withdrawal of the rejection and allowance of the claims. If there are any remaining issues preventing allowance of the pending claims that may be clarified by telephone, the

## Examiner is requested to call the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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